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SUBJ: COUNTRY FINANCED SERVICES: TOWN PLANNING STUDY AND
RECRUITMENT OF STAFF FOR DUBAI MUNICIPALITY.

FOR AID/H FROM MC VOY

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1. SUMMARY - REVIEW AND NEGOTIATIONS TOWN PLANNING
STUDY COMPLETED WITH FULL CONCURRENCE ON AGREEMENT
TO PROVIDE TEAM SERVICES AT COST OF DOLLAR 60,000.
REQUEST SER/H TAKE ACTIONS IN IDENTIFYING TEAM
MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS. RECRUITMENT
OF STAFF REVIEWED WITH DIRECTOR HAMZA. END SUMMARY

2. PLANNING STUDY REVIEW AND NEGOTIATIONS COMPLETED.
DIRECTOR HAMZA SIGNED AGREEMENT WITH ATTACHMENTS
FEB. 19. FINAL COST OF SERVICES DOLLARS 60,000.
AGREEMENT PROVIDES FOR SERVICES OF TEAM OF
REGIONAL(I.E., EMIRATE OF DUBAI) PLAN AND PLANNING PROGRAM
FOR THE EMIRATE. MUNICIPALITY IS URBANIZED AREA OF DUBAI
AND IN WORLD. RECENT CENSUS GIVES TOTAL POPULATION
DUBAI EMIRATE 207,000 OF WHICH PROBABLY 200,000 IN DUBAI
MUNICIPALITY URBAN AREA. ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT POSES
CHALLENGING AND EXCITING PLANNING PROBELMS. REQUEST
SER/H START IMMEDIATE ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

A. RECRUITMENT OF TEAM MEMBERS. TARGET DATE FOR BEGINNING
TEAM WORK PE APRIL ONE. TEAM MEMBERS NEED TO
BE IDENTIFIED AND NOMINATED BY MARCH ONE. PLEASE START

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EXPLORING CANDIDATES IN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND AMONG

PRIVATE CONSULTANTS. PLANNED TEAM MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

(1) CHIEF PLANNER - SENIOR PLANNER WITH BROAD EXPERIENCE. CAPABLE OF GIVING TEAM LEADERSHIP, EVALUATING EXISTING DATA AND OUTLINING TERMS OF REFERENCE. MUST BE KNOWLEDGEABLE, FORCEFUL AND EXPERT IN MOST CURRENT PLANNING METHODOLOGY AND TECHNIQUES, PER REFTEL B, WOULD BE DESIRABLE IF CANDIDATE WOULD BE INTERESTED AS CHIEF PLANNER UNDER CONTRACT WITH MUNICIPALITY FOR TWO YEAR OR MORE ASSIGNMENT. ROLE AS TEAM LEADER WOULD GIVE GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR MUTUAL EVALUATION. ARABIC NOT REQUIRED BUT DESIRABLE. ESTIMATED DAILY RATE UP TO DOLLARS 280. WORK TIME REQUIRED: THREE DAYS PREPARATION IN WASHINGTON, FOUR WEEKS (24 WORKING DAYS) IN DUBAI AND TWO WEEKS IN WASHINGTON TO COMPLETE FINAL REPORT.

(2) TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION SPECIALISTS EXPERIENCED IN TRAFFIC ANALYSIS AND PLANNING PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND PARKING. ARABIC NOT REQUIRED BUT DESIRABLE. ESTIMATED DAILY RATE UP TO DOLLARS 200. WORK TIME REQUIRED: THREE DAYS PREPARATION IN WASHINGTON, UP TO FOUR WEEKS (24 WORKING DAYS) IN DUBAI, AND ONE WEEK IN WASHINGTON TO COMPLETE REPORT SECTIONS.

(3) URBAN ECONOMICS SPECIALIST - EXPERIENCED IN URBAN FINANCE ANALYSIS AND PLANNING. ARABIC NOT REQUIRED BUT DESIRABLE. ESTIMATED DAILY RATE UP TO DOLLAR 200. WORK TIME REQUIRED SAME AS ABOVE.

(4) HOUSING PLANNING SPECIALISTS - EXPERIENCED HIGH RISE AND LOW RISE NEIGHBORHOOD AND NEW COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DESIGN. CAPABLE OF DOING ANALYSIS OF HOUSING NEEDS AND DESCRIBING TYPES OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIRED. ESTIMATED DAILY RATE UP TO DOLLARS 200. WORK TIME REQUIRED SAME AS (2) ABOVE.

B. PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES - RECOMMEND TEAM MEMBERS BE PROCURED BY PASA OR PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS. PLEASE CONSULT WITH AND ALERT CONTRACT OFFICE. MC VOY WISHES PERSONALLY INTERVIEW AND SELECT GROUP OF
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CANDIDATES ON RETURN.

C. CLEARANCES AND AGREEMENT FINALIZATION. PLEASE PROCEED WITH SECTION 607 APPROVAL AND BE PREPARED TO EXPEDITE CIRCULAR 175 COMPLIANCE. MC VOY WILL HAND CARRY AGREEMENT SIGNED BY DIRECTOR HAMZA.

D. ADVANCE PAYMENT - DIRECTOR HAMZA PREPARED TELEX PAYMENT FULL AMOUNT UNDER AGREEMENT. PLEASE CABLE INSTRUCTIONS TO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI ON PAYEE AND SPECIAL ACCOUNT

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